

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please make the following claim substitutions:

1           1. (Currently amended) A method for use in a mobile station, the  
2 method comprising the steps of:  
3                 attaching the mobile station to a wireless data network; and  
4                 the mobile station performing variable quality of service negotiation  
5 with the wireless data network, said negotiation including an indication for  
6 requesting multiple possible traffic class preferences in a priority order, wherein if  
7 resources are unavailable for granting a first traffic class preference, said  
8 network checks if enough resources are available for a second traffic class  
9 preference without requiring additional mobile station transmissions.

1           2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the performing step includes  
2 the steps of:  
3                 transmitting to the wireless data network a quality of service  
4 information element comprising a downgradeable quality of service class field  
5 that is indicative of requesting multiple traffic classes in a priority order.

1           3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the performing step includes  
2 the steps of:  
3                 transmitting to the wireless data network a quality of service  
4 information element comprising an upgradeable quality of service class field that  
5 is indicative of requesting a higher traffic class than an existing traffic class.

1           4. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the performing  
2 step includes the steps of:  
3                 transmitting to the wireless data network a quality of service  
4 information element comprising at least one traffic class field for conveying  
5 requests for ~~either a single traffic class or~~ multiple traffic classes in a priority  
6 order.

1           5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the performing

2 step includes the step of using an activate packet data protocol (PDP) context  
3 procedure that supports downgradeable ~~QoS~~ quality of service requirements.

1 6. (Currently amended) A method for use in a first packet server of a  
2 wireless network, a packet server being any packet processor in said network,  
3 the method comprising the steps of:

4 the first packet server exchanging messages with a second packet  
5 server for the a purpose of providing at least one service to a mobile station,  
6 wherein the exchanging step includes the step of

7 the first packet server transmitting to the second packet server a  
8 message comprising a quality of service information element comprising a quality  
9 of service class field that is indicative of requesting multiple traffic classes in the  
10 message, and wherein if resources are unavailable for granting a first traffic class  
11 preference, said network checks if enough resources are available for a second  
12 traffic class preference without requiring additional transmissions.

1 7. (Currently amended) The method of claim 6 wherein the quality of  
2 service class field is indicative of requesting a downgradeable quality of service  
3 class field and the multiple traffic classes are requested in a priority order.

1 8. (Currently amended) The method of claim 6 wherein the quality of  
2 service class field is indicative of requesting an upgradeable quality of service  
3 class field.

1 9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 6 wherein the exchanging step  
2 includes the step of using an activate packet data protocol (PDP) context procedure that  
3 supports variable ~~QoS~~ quality of service requirements.

1 10. (Canceled)

1 11. (Canceled)

1 12. (Canceled)

1 13. (Canceled)

1           14. (Currently amended) A packet server comprising:

2           a transceiver for exchanging messages with a second packet server for the a  
3 purpose of providing at least one service to a mobile station; and

4           a processor for causing to be transmitted to the second packet server a message  
5 comprising a quality of service information element comprising at least one traffic class  
6 field for conveying requests for ~~either a single traffic class or~~ multiple traffic classes in a  
7 priority order, wherein if resources are unavailable for granting a first traffic class  
8 preference in said request for multiple traffic classes, said network checks if enough  
9 resources are available for a second traffic class preference without requiring additional  
10 transmissions.

1           15. (Original) A transmission frame representing data embodied in a wireless  
2 transmission signal, the transmission frame comprising:

3           a quality of service class field that is indicative of requesting multiple traffic  
4 classes in a priority order; and

5           at least one traffic class field for conveying the priority order.